

## LARGE AUDIENCE

Attended Entertainment  
Given Last Night by

### ST. THERESA ACADEMY PUPILS

Opera House was Well Filled and the  
Entertainment was Good—  
Was a Financial  
Success.

A large audience was in attendance at the opera house last evening when an entertainment was given by the children of St. Theresa's Academy. The affair was a St. Patrick's Day entertainment but was postponed from last week on account of other events. The undertaking was not only a financial success but the audience was greatly pleased and everyone who attended could not help but admire the splendid manner in which the young people took their parts. The children have for some time past been in training under the direction of the sisters who teach in the school and both the pupils and their instructors deserve credit for the work they accomplished. Every number was heartily applauded by the audience. The proceeds of the entertainment are for the benefit of the school. The program which consisted of choruses, songs and recitations, was as follows:

**PART I.**  
Opening Chorus—"Greeting Glee."  
Words of Welcome—Girls of Second Grade.  
Recitation, "Nobody's Child"—Catherine Hiner.  
Song, "Jolly Tinklers"—Boys of the Fourth Grade.  
Dialogue, "It Never Rains But It Pours"—Margaret Curran and Nellie Hyder.  
Song, "A Merry Gipsy Band"—Girls of the Fourth Grade.  
Monologue—Ted Bradley.  
Pantomime, "Flag of the Rainbow"—Girls of Fifth Grade.  
Song, "The Flag that Has Never Known Defeat"—Boys.  
Recitation, "Mary's Wish"—Mabel Collins.  
Dialogue, "The Country Aunt's Visit to the City"—Characters: Ann Peabody, May Galloway; Eleanor, Jazzy Kilbuck; Hattie, Maggie Mehan; Miriam Brown, Annie Murphy; A Party of Friends, Senior Boys and Girls.  
Vocal Solo, "I Went to Play Ball with You Papa"—Thomas Conroy.  
"The Country Aunt's Visit to the City"—Scene II.

**PART II.**  
Oration, "Ireland's History"—Cyril McMahon.  
Action Song, "The Little Fiddler"—Primary Boys.  
Recitation, "A Boy's Complaint"—John Finn.  
Song and Drill, "The Shaking Quakers"—Children of Third Grade.  
Recitation, "Little Tiddie's Fable"—Thomas Hayes.  
Song, "Fairy Bells"—Junior Girls.  
Recitation, "Mona's Waters"—Sadie Welch.  
Dialogue, "Rival Orators"—John Finney and Bernard Heiner.  
Good Night Drill—Primary Girls.  
Pantomime, "The Angels of Bazaar Vista"—Senior Girls.

**La Grippe.**  
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## ILLINOIS ASSEMBLY

Local Legislation and Other  
Business of the House.

### THE SALARY BILL

Members to Receive \$1500  
a Year—No More.

### LINCOLN MONUMENT CHANGE

There is to be a contest on the proposition to erect the Memorial in the Public Square in Springfield—Will Come Up Next Week for Action.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 23.—The House of Representatives passed a bill today to amend the act providing for the erection of the Lincoln Monument in the Public Square in Springfield. The bill provides that the monument be erected on a site to be determined by the State Board of Land and Survey, and that the cost of the monument be paid by the State. The bill also provides that the salary of the members of the House be increased from \$1200 to \$1500 per annum. The bill was passed by a vote of 100 to 90.

**Lincoln Monument.**  
The Lincoln monument may be torn down and removed to another site. A statement to this effect was made by a member of the House today. The statement was made in connection with the discussion of the bill to amend the act providing for the erection of the Lincoln Monument in the Public Square in Springfield.

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It develops that August A. Becker, the Chicago wretch who murdered his wife and then burnt the remains in a stove, was married in Taylorville some years ago. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. H. Bowyer of Decatur, then pastor of the Taylorville Baptist church. It is recalled that the marriage fee was not paid. Becker said he was a stranger in the town and wanted to get married. He promised to pay the fee in a short time, but the money was never paid. It is not known that the woman so brutally killed was the lady who married Becker at Taylorville. Becker was indicted for murder at Chicago on Wednesday.

## SHERMAN MUCH BETTER.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, March 23.—Hon. John Sherman passed a satisfactory night and is now better than at any time since he has been sick. His recovery is confidently expected.

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In the circuit court today the Maroon foot race case in which Louis J. Smith, John H. Alsberry, Pratt Nelson, Fred Wilson, and J. D. Moore were charged with a confidence game, was never caught and only taken of the defendants are on trial. It is alleged that on September 10, 1907, at Maroon, Bernard Stein of Chicago was forced out of something over \$100. It is claimed that Stein was put in a state of intoxication and then induced to put up all his money and jewelry on a foot race between Louis and Moore. Louis was the man whom Stein was supposed to have bet on. Louis lost the race. It is claimed that it was all a put up job to get Stein's money. State's Attorney McMillan is being assisted in the prosecution by Attorney H. M. Gohman of Chicago and Attorneys W. C. Jones and C. J. McFarlane are defending. The jury is as follows: Edward Augulus, Henry A. Jukisch, J. E. Doty, George H. Albion, William Elliott, Stanley Tucker, Henry Keeler, Joseph Bennett, E. E. Kirkbride, Robert Pound, Daniel Lewis and J. R. Hughes.

### MOLL FOUND GUILTY.

The jury in the case of Simon E. Moll returned a verdict last night finding the defendant guilty of embezzlement of property worth \$100. Moll has not yet been sentenced. Mr. Moll was greatly surprised at the verdict. He was fully confident that he would be acquitted and was totally unprepared for the verdict of guilty which was returned. It is understood that a motion will be made for a new trial.

### CHANCERY.

Dorville E. Brooks vs. Albert L. Clark et al; foreclosure. Richard Kirby appointed receiver instead of William Brooks, deceased.

### COMMON LAW.

Christina Schwartz vs. Henry Bane et al; assumpsit. Damages assessed by court at \$200; judgment for same and costs and execution.

### PEOPLE'S CASE.

Leon Loser, John H. Alsberry, Pratt Nelson, alias Fred Wilson, J. D. Moore; confidence game. Trial by jury.

### LEG CRUSHED.

Dof. Cooper, a Vandalia brakeman, injured at Minier.

Dof. Cooper, a brakeman on the Vandalia, was injured by being caught in the bumper of the engine and a freight car at Minier on Wednesday afternoon.

It is impossible at this time to tell just how serious his injuries are. The right leg was caught midway between the knee and hip joint and the muscles and flesh torn in an awful manner. No bones were hurt and the great amount of tissue crushed and torn may make it possible that the young man may suffer permanent injury.

The accident occurred while Cooper was assisting at some yard work at Minier. He was on the point of the engine trying to couple a freight car. He realized his danger just in time to shift his body so that the bones of the leg were not caught.

His injuries were temporarily dressed and he was brought home on the afternoon train and taken to his home on South Jackson street, where

Dr. H. C. Jones, the company's local surgeon, attended him.

## THE NEW ALTON

Plans by Syndicate for  
Railway Improvement.

CHICAGO, March 22.—General Manager Chappell of the Chicago and Alton railway in an interview today said the road under the new administration will be improved and put upon a new standard as the other big roads of the west. The syndicate has already ordered new engines of the latest type and has an option for 30 more.

Manager Chappell said it is the intention of the new owners to bring all of the equipment up to the highest standard. The physical condition of the property will also be improved. New bridges will be constructed, tracks are to be renewed and curves eliminated. Steps will also be taken to make the most of the coal business on the line.

### Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Over of Philadelphia was the subject is reported by him as follows: I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and ribs, no appetite, gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying Electric Bitters, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and became a well man. I know they save many lives and rob the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Stores.

### Manager Wilcox Injured.

Manager C. N. Wilcox of the Great Western railway company stepped into the opening from which the register had been lifted in the office at the transfer house yesterday and suffered painful injuries to his right leg as a result. The tendons of the leg were severely strained and there were several bruises about the body which gave him trouble. The telephone employees had left the trap open after pulling in wires for the new telephone which is being placed in the transfer house and Mr. Wilcox walked into the office without seeing the opening. He was unable to leave his home today but does not consider the injuries serious.

### Is It Malaria or Alum?

(Popular Science Monthly.)

Laziness, loss of appetite, indigestion and often feverishness are the common symptoms of a physiological condition termed "malaria." All these symptoms may be caused frequently are the effect of the use of alum baking powders in food making. There is no question about the poisonous effect of alum upon the system. It obstructs digestion, paralyzes the nerves, coagulates and solidifies the blood. All this has been made clear, thanks to physicians, boards of health, and food commissions. So "highly injurious to the health of the community" does the eminent head of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. H. H. Henshaw, consider the alum baking powders that he says "their sale should be prohibited by law."

Under these circumstances it is worth the while of every housewife to employ the very little care that is necessary to keep so dangerous an element from the food of her family.

A pure cream of tartar baking powder, which is the only kind that should be used, ought to cost about 15 cents to 20 cents a pound. Therefore, if you are paying much less something is wrong; if you are paying 25 cents or less per pound, the powder is certainly made from alum.

Always buy these simple facts in mind when purchasing baking powder.

### Now is Mexico.

W. J. Glad of this city, who is traveling for the Paris Manufacturing Co., has arrived at the city of Mexico the afternoon train and taken to his home on South Jackson street, where

## THE WOMAN MAY BE CRAZY

Sensational Arrest of Mrs.  
Breighner at Clinton.

Why the Decatur Blood-  
hounds Failed Last Fall.

CLINTON, ILL., March 22.—Last September the residence of Mrs. Mary Breighner was burglarized and quite a sum of money was taken that belonged to Stephen Pollock, Mrs. Breighner's brother-in-law. Bloodhounds were brought from Decatur but were not successful in getting track of the guilty parties. Mrs. Breighner had been dragged and was unconscious when the robbery was discovered. Mr. Pollock's suspicions were aroused and he sued Mrs. Breighner for the amount involved, thinking that she knew more about the case than she cared to tell. He got judgment for nearly the full amount. The case had almost been forgotten until Wednesday when Mrs. Breighner was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Pollock charging her with larceny. It is understood the lawyers for the defense will enter a plea of insanity.

## LOYALTY

Porto Ricans Pledge Fi-  
delity to Uncle Sam.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, March 22.—Leaders of the Radical party have decided to organize a Republican party in Porto Rico, with a thoroughly American platform. The platform will be submitted at a meeting and it will endorse the policy of President McKinley, and pledge fidelity to the American flag. It will also favor free suffrage, public schools, reform in taxation, free trade with the United States, the establishment of a gold basis for currency, an American system for the judiciary, and will pledge the party to lend every effort toward civilization and to teach the inhabitants to become loyal to the United States.

## DEATH RECORD.

LEAH HUFFORD.

Miss Leah Hufford died at 3:30 a. m. today at St. Mary's hospital, aged 40 years. The remains were taken this afternoon to Corro Gordo for burial.

FUNERAL OF EDWARD HUGHES.  
The funeral of the late Edward Hughes will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon from the family residence, 150 West Cero Gordo street. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. F. Gilmore, pastor of Grace Methodist church, and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

## FARMERS' ASSOCIATION.

FARGO, N. D., March 22.—This is the last day of the Interstate Grain Growers' association meeting. A permanent organization will be formed consisting of Minnesota, North and South Dakota. Great interest has been awakened among the farmers for pure seed and more intelligent farming.

## BASE BALL NEWS.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., March 22.—The Western Base Ball League did no business this forenoon. It will probably adopt a schedule this afternoon.

### Harristown.

The road, are almost impassable. Dr. N. W. Kirk visited friends in Harristown last week. Mrs. A. H. Eymour was called to Kichuk, Iowa, last week on account of the death of her grandmother. Bonnie Ash is suffering with pneumonia.

Gas Parish has recovered from a severe attack of lung fever.

The ladies of the M. E. church will give an oyster supper next Friday evening at the town hall.

G. W. Walker is applying the brush to his store room. The result is a nice new coat of paint.

William Muirhead has closed his place of business, the restaurant and barber shop, and has taken to the farm. Bring your watches, clocks and jewelry to the new jeweler at Harristown for repairs.

Mrs. Jacob Lebo is suffering severely from an abscess on one of her lungs.

### Y. M. C. A. Entertainment.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow evening there will be a social for the members only. There will be a program to entertain those present and a good time is promised.

# SPRING 1899.

COMMENCING

Wednesday, March 22,

We will Have on Exhibition  
An Extensive Line of.....

EXQUISITE HATS  
AND BONNETS....

Many Exclusive Ideas in Artistic Millinery.  
Sole Agents in Decatur for Ladies' Knox Hats.

Bradley Bros.  
Decatur, Ill.

—T. R. Miles, who has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. M. D. Pollock, for the past week, returned to his home in Champaign today.

### Out of the Ordinary.

We would call especial attention to a Tea Drawing at our store Friday afternoon. We will draw the finest tea ever brought to Decatur. We would urge you to come and try a cup free. Heilman Grocery Co.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fetrow and daughter of Forsyth were the guests of Decatur friends today.

The Woman's club directory held the quarterly meeting at the club rooms on Wednesday afternoon. Only routine business was transacted.

To Cure a Cold in One Day  
Take Lavative Bromo Quinine Tablets  
All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

### WIT AND WISDOM.

The smartest man is the man who lives with the least friction.—Archibald Goble.

"They examined the wrong body." "What a grave mistake!"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The more a man is in a pickle the less likely he is to be a well-preserved man.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

We could sing all the foreign languages in the time given to gossiping in our circle.—Christian Work.

The worst disappointment you can experience is disappointment in yourself.—Chicago Daily News.

There are persons who regard a book in the same way they do a tenant. If it turns out well, they are entirely satisfied.—Boston Transcript.

(Client)—"How many lawsuits do you think will be necessary to establish out this property?" Lawyer—"I don't know. How large is the property?"—Town Topics.

Bepa (from the next room)—"Ethel, didn't you get to fight the gas in there?" Ethel—"Yes, papa, we were just speaking of — or — striking a match!"—Truth.

In the Chair—"The tattooed girl is as pretty as a picture, isn't she?" "Oh, yes, a whole lot of pictures. But, then, her beauty is only skin deep."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

He Found It So—"De way oh de transgressors is hard," yelled Bosman from the pulpit. "Dats sho!" replied Old Cate, "dats I fell off a rail last night while on farragin' for children, and lak ter bust myself wide open!"—Moon Telegraph.

She—"When you asked me to be your wife you deliberately deceived me." He—"In what way, Martha?" She—"You told me you were well off." He—"Well, I may have said it, Martha, but I didn't know how well off I was at that time."—Richmond Dispatch.

For frost bites, burns, indolent sores, eczema, skin disease, and especially Piles, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve stands first and best. Lookout for dishonest people who try to imitate and counterfeit it. It's the only endorsement of a good article. Worthless goods are not imitated. Get DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

## NEW SPRING SUITS

Men's Fashionable Suits, kind, new and stylish, in the latest style, Serges, Cheviots -- in shades, new weaves. The very best make wear suits and trousers ways be had of us.

## New Spring Overcoats

In Plain and Herringbone Stripes. From \$5.00

## Boys' New Spring Overcoats

## Our Boys' Department

Large Assortment of New

For Boys 3 to 8, in Fancy New

For Boys 6 to 16, in single and

For Boys 12 to 19, in all the new

All of our New Styles in

For Spring--Soft and Durable

AGENTS FOR KNOX

## OTTENHEIMER

The Reliable Clothiers, Hatters  
MASONIC TEMPLE

## MARCH SALE

Couch, large size, covered with fancy velvet tufted top, deep fringe, full spring edge, only..... \$5.98

Large arm rocker, well made, fancy carved back, arms bolted on with iron braces, either in antique or mahogany finish, worth \$2.75, sale price..... \$1.49

Iron Bed, 75 patterns, the best line ever shown in the city. See that bargain at..... \$1.98

A full Brass Top Iron Bed with cast brass mounts, high head, only..... \$4.98

INGRAM CARPETS..... 25c

WINDOW SHADES..... 10c

We furnish your home—we show you the line from to be found in Central Illinois. Call on us that we save you money. We pay extra safe delivery of goods at your rail.

## The Big Furniture

Bachman, Bros. & Co.

240-244-258 AND 252 EAST MAIN

## Slaughter Shoes

We still have good sizes in our sale of shoes before putting our spring goods in stock at following prices:

Infants' and Children's Shoes

Misses' and Ladies' Shoes...

Men's Shoes.....

These are High Grades of Shoes

All new and up to date goods at

You can't afford to miss this

footwear.

## Rodgers &

150 Merchant

SUCCESSORS TO FREEMAN BROS.

## Over the Tea Cups

Is not only a good place to discuss Uneeda Biscuit, but a good place to test them—test them by tasting. For a cup of tea accentuates the delicate goodness of the new delicacy, and the flavor of a good cup of tea is, in turn, made better by Uneeda Biscuit. You can't understand this until you try them, for there is nothing in your past experience with biscuit to make a comparison. The best biscuit skill in the country is concentrated in

Uneeda Biscuit

Ask your grocer about them. Sold only in 5-cent packages. Never in any other way.



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March 22,

Exhibition  
of.....HATS  
NNETS....

Ladies' Knox Hats.

Bros.  
M.

FIDENCE

OUR years of experience in trading with us—an intimate knowledge of the character of the Shoes we sell and the upright methods we employ in dealing with our patrons—has won us an unusual degree of public confidence.

The people trust in us for footwear and we try our best never to disappoint them in quality, fit or in price.

During the coming spring and summer seasons there will be many things here that will interest all shoe wearers. The shoes will be famous for beauty and worth, the prices, fair as can be.

LRATH,

OF SHOES FOR ALL MANKIND.

Main St.

Seen of the Old Cobbler  
in the Window.NEW  
SPRING SUITS...

Men's Fashionable Suits, the right kind, new and stylish, cut right in the latest style, in Worsted Serge, Cheviots—in the new shades, new weaves, new cut. The very best make of ready-to-wear suits and trousers—can always be had of us.

## New Spring Overcoats.

In Pattern of Herringbone Stripe,

From \$5.00 to \$18.00.

## Boys' New Spring Overcoats.

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All of our New Styles in Hats  
For Spring—Soft and Derby.

AGENTS FOR KNOX HATS.

OTTENHEIMER &amp; CO.,

The Reliable Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.

MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK.

## MARCH SALE...

Large size covered with  
top deep  
\$5.98

Large size, well made,  
\$1.49

Large size, the best  
\$1.98

Large size, the best  
\$4.98

Large size, the best  
\$1.00

We show you the largest stock to select from in Central Illinois. Our prices will convince you. We pay the freight and guarantee the quality of goods at your railroad station.

The Big Furniture Store.

Bachman, Bros. &amp; Martin Co.,

240-244-258 AND 252 EAST MAIN STREET.

Slaughter Sale of...  
Shoes Continues.

We will do our best in our sale of shoes, and to push them out before the spring goods in stock we will make you the best prices.

Infants' and Children's Shoes... 25c to 50c  
Misses' and Ladies' Shoes... 75c to \$1.00  
Men's Shoes... 75c to \$1.25

These are High Grades of Shoes in broken sizes.  
All new and up to date goods at factory prices.

You can't afford to miss this sale if you need footwear.

Rodgers &amp; Clark,

150 Merchant Street.

SUCCESSORS TO FREEMAN BROS.

## Give the Children a Drink

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because it is properly prepared. It is like the most coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the system. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about as much as coffee. 15c and 25c.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar.  
Have Spence repaint your house.  
Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates. mch22-tf

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—  
California fruits at: Giessner's, 143 East Prairie.

Dempsey & Hallack, painters, located at 159 East North street, old phone 1571, should be consulted before you have your spring painting and paper hanging done. Their prices are very reasonable.—1-dime.

Next Combination Sale Monday, April 3. Get your entries in early. This will be a good sale.  
—21-dime. Ed. W. Hill & Co.

If thou faint in the day of adversity thy strength is small.—Bible.  
See Spence about your hardwood finishing and kalsomining.

Wanted—Wiping rags at Republican office.

Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk, also fresh stock and large variety of bulk garden seeds, 243 North Main street. Open evenings. Durfee & Co.—mch22-dime

W. H. Spence, the painter, new phones, office 627, residence 615, Riverside Place.

High cheek bones always indicate great force of character in some direction.

Burdock Blood Bitters gives a man a clear head, an active brain, a strong, vigorous body—makes him fit for the battle of life. Sold by all druggists.

Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm.

He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Many houses in Berlin are numbered with luminous figures, which are easily visible at night.

Group instantly relieved. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Perfectly safe. Never fails. At any drug store.

## Y. M. C. A. Entertainment.

The Y. M. C. A. entertainment at the opera house last evening was largely attended. The attraction was Fred Emerson Brooks, the poet, who recited his own poems. He had a varied assortment of poems which were well given and which seemed to please the audience immensely.

**Buckley's Arnica Salve.**  
The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

**Good Duck Shooting.**  
H. W. Bell, the druggist, has arrived home from Calhoun county, where he has been for the past week. He was shooting ducks at the mouth of the Illinois river. He says that the hunting was good and that he had splendid luck.

## Notice.

To the Republican voters of the First Ward: The Republican city primaries will be held on Thursday, March 23, from 3 to 7:30 p. m., at the livery barn of Byrd Davis on North Water street and at the same time and place and in the same manner that the other city candidates are voted for; you will select your candidate for alderman. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast will be declared the Republican nominee for alderman in the First ward.  
W. H. Holman, Chairman.

## Certificate of Character.

In the county court today a certificate of good moral character was granted to F. S. Hansley. The certificate was testified to by Attorneys M. C. Griffin and J. M. Lee. Mr. Hansley will enter the University of Illinois for six months study.

## Runaway from Home.

A young man named Herman Morris applied for lodging last night at the Short street station. He said that he was the son of a physician at Mason City, Ill., and that he had run away from home because he feared arrest for some minor offense. This morning Marshal Mason talked with the boy. The Decatur police department had not received any notice of a runaway being wanted and the marshal thought that the boy was big enough to take care of himself and released him.

## COLD

Colds are easily taken and often develop into bronchitis or consumption. You should care a cold promptly with Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup. This celebrated remedy is most efficient and will cure a cold at once.

## Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Promptly cures Stubborn Colds. Doses are small and pleasant to take. Doctors recommend it. Price 25c. At all druggists.

## THE PRIMARIES

Republicans are Selecting  
Their Men Today.

## CANDIDATES WORKING HARD

To Secure Votes of Their Friends—  
The Vote for Mayor by Wards  
in the Primaries  
of 1897.

The Republican city primaries are in progress today. The voting places opened at 3 o'clock this afternoon and will continue open until 7:30 o'clock tonight. Friends of the different candidates are out working today for their men and the probabilities are that a big vote will be cast. The voting places in the different wards are as follows:

First Ward—Byrd L. Davis' livery barn.

Second Ward—Archie Ward's barber shop.

Third Ward—Donke's livery stable.

Fourth Ward—Caldwell's coal office, corner Wood and Broadway.

Fifth Ward—J. R. Dougherty building, 1100 East Eldorado street.

Sixth Ward—Corner Leeland and Warren streets.

Seventh Ward—Hendricks' carpenter shop, on Green street, between Church and Union.

In 1897 when B. Z. Taylor defeated C. S. Hankins for the nomination for mayor on the Republican ticket Taylor carried all the wards, receiving all the delegates in the convention. He received a total vote of 1840, against Hankins' 970 votes. The votes by wards for the two men in 1897 were as follows:

B. Z. Taylor—First ward 392, second 240, third 311, fourth 292, fifth 282, sixth 250, seventh 175. Total 1840.

C. S. Hankins—First 110, second 93, third 153, fourth 124, fifth 84, sixth 219, seventh 127. Total 970.

## THE STAGE.

## TONIGHT.

Mr. Walker Whiteside and his excellent company will be the attraction at the Grand tonight. Mr. Whiteside's will be one of the most notable engagements of the season. The play to be given on the occasion of his visit will be from the French, entitled "Lion Amoureux," and known to this country as "The Red Cockerel." It is a uniquely constructed romantic comedy-drama, and Mr. Whiteside shows to the best possible advantage of a young captain in the revolutionary army. The company is even of a higher grade of excellence than the superior company which has been this player's support heretofore, and includes such well known names as Miss Lelia Wolston, Elizabeth Hunt, Antonette Walker, Grace Haisell, Mr. Frederick L. Power, John M. Sturgeon, John L. Saphore, Gray B. Howler, John C. Hart, Lawrence Griffith, Rolland Wallace and others.

"UNDER THE DOGE."  
Of the much-heralded hurricane scene in "Under the Doge," which comes to the Grand Friday night, it is said that the owners of the play previously overlooked its possibilities, entirely overlooking its possibilities, pinning their faith to the terry heat scene, which indeed, were it the only effect in the play would insure success, so wonderfully perfect is it in detail. But the hurricane scene proves the biggest kind of a surprise. It was at once pronounced to be an absolute marvel, and completely threw the other big effects of the play into the "also rans." Since then it has been perfected and amplified and is said to be second only in its awful realism to the actual hurricane in the harbor of Apia, of which it is a stage representation.

## FUNERAL OF GEO. S. LYON

Field Yesterday Afternoon at the Residence—Burial at Greenwood.

The funeral of the late George S. Lyon, held yesterday afternoon from the family residence on West Eldorado street, was largely attended. Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor of the Congregational church, officiated.

## Special Music.

The members of the choir of St. John's Episcopal church are arranging for an elaborate musical program for Easter Sunday, which this year falls on April 2. There will be special music at the morning services and in the evening there will be a full musical service.

## Stole Clothing.

Robert Falk, alias Frank Murphy, alias Harry Garrison, was arrested yesterday by Officer Donahue for stealing clothing from a man named Norbeck at Niantic. He is now locked up in the county jail. Falk is the same man who fought Deppo at the athletic entertainment at the opera house and at that time was known under the name of Murphy.

## Women Die in Fire.

Another appalling catastrophe follows the burning of the Windsor hotel. The fatal fire which destroyed the Patterson block and so many lives at Omaha yesterday, was started by a gasoline explosion. These gasoline explosions are an old story, and it is incredible that people continue using a dangerous article when they can do their cooking by gas stove with more economy and with perfect safety.

The Gas Company of this city furnishes stoves to its customers at cost. The Gas Company of Chicago last year placed about 30,000 gas stoves, which shows that people are learning to use gas for fuel.

Wall paper 2c per roll, glimmered 3c, gills 4c at Scovill's.—15-tf

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as being a part of God's beautiful temple. Let his life shine as a light for us through all the years of the future. There is the love that never leaves us and that is the love of God. It is our love and the love of God at the same time. Let us look upward as Christ did when he saw the cross."

After the sermon the choir sang "Rock of Ages." The members of Celestial Lodge, No. 166, Canton Decatur, No. 19, and Decatur Encampment, No. 37, I. O. O. F., attended in a body and escorted the body to Greenwood cemetery, where the ritual services were held at the grave. The pallbearers were chosen from the membership of the two lodges and were as follows: I. W. Ehrman, J. L. Peake, B. B. Babcock, L. W. Friberg, John Lloyd and Bruce Woodruff. Among those from out of the city who were in attendance were Louis Lyons, a brother of Springfield, and William Bryant of Chicago. The lumber yards and planing mills of the city closed and employers and workmen from the different establishments attended in a body. There were many beautiful floral offerings including handsome designs and bouquets.

## EVENT FRIDAY NIGHT.

Programme for Oratorical Contest at the High School.

The following is the program for the oratorical contest which will be given at the High School assembly room on Friday evening, as was yesterday announced:

## PART I.

Mandolin Club.

Oration, "Europe and Monroe Doctrine"—Edwin Adamson.

Oration, "The Task of the Nation"—Lee Boland.

Vocal Solo, "Little Boy Blue"—Edith Hanford.

Oration, "Education and Its Progress"—Marion Williams.

Oration, "Mohammed"—Edward Hitchcock.

Mandolin Club.

Oration, "The New South"—Dau House.

Oration, "Progress of the Century"—Chester Legg.

Violin Solo—Bertha Troutman.

Oration, "The Progress of the West"—Fred Groat.

Whistling Solo—Mario Powers. Miss Jeannette Powers obligato.

## PART SECOND.

Glee Club.

Alpha Beta Prophecy—Louise Bold.

Vocal Solo, "If You Forget"—Lara File.

Declaration, "Injustice Toward Kossuth"—Frank Lindsey.

Mandolin Club.

Iron beds that are 6 ft. high for sale at Scovill's.—15-tf

## ANOTHER BOY THIEF.

Three of the Boys Who Robbed the

Wabash Cars are Now in Jail.

Last evening Officer E. Lench arrested Stock Ozykowski, a young man who is employed in the mine. There was a warrant out against him charging burglary and petit larceny. The boy was one of the party who broke into two Wabash cars and stole the goods they found stored in the cars. The robbery was committed by a party of boys and the first one arrested gave the names of the others connected with the case. Three of them are now in jail and the officers are watching for the rest of the party.

Ozykowski was arrested last night just as he was leaving the mine. He attempted to run away but was stopped by the officer and brought to jail. He has been in trouble before. He was charged with robbing the Local foundry. When arrested for that offense he fought the officers and was afterward released on bond.

The prettiest baby buggies are at Scovill's.—15-tf

## WILL CONTINUE.

The military display will continue throughout Friday and Saturday. The rooms were thronged all today from early this morning until a late hour this afternoon. A larger crowd is expected tomorrow and ample provisions have been made to accommodate all who attend. There are plenty of attendants and no one is hurried in the inspection of the display or the purchase of a hat. All are welcome whether they are buying or simply looking around.

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# Novelties For Spring.

## SASH AND STOCK CLASPS In Large Variety.

As the Styles and Patterns are being produced in many ways we do not undertake to illustrate them. We are receiving New Styles almost every day in Imported French Designs. We have a fine assortment in Fancy Enamels, enameled with Jewels, Cut Steel Ornaments, Open Work in Gun Metal Color, Gilt and Silver Finish, as well as the very popular French Gray, varying in price from 50c to \$8.00 each—**all made strong for good service as well as style.**

Inspect our line, which is by far the Largest and Closest Priced in the city.

## FRANK CURTIS,

Successor to OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

156 EAST MAIN STREET, DECATUR, ILL.

## YOUR EYES...

Will be pleased when you see our New Spring Styles in Ladies' and Men's Shoes, in Tan and Black.

Ladies' Tan Vici Kid Vesting Face Shoes—a perfect beauty—at \$2.00.

Ladies' Tan Vici Kid Vesting Face Shoes at \$2.50. This is the handsomest shoe we ever offered for the price.

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The buying of a bicycle is a matter of serious importance. All your pleasure in cycling depends on your wise choice. In choosing the Crescent you run no risk. The unanimous testimony of Crescent purchasers should convince you that Crescent quality has no superior.

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## SPECIAL FOR EASTER.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J, 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Beck.

Have Spencer repaper your house. Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-24.

J. A. Blair of Blue Mound and William Nall of Decatur were applicants before the Decatur Pension board on Wednesday for an increase in pension.

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—14-17.

The apartment is favorably and indifferently from the real, and in a vast number of cases it is precisely the reverse.—Lester F. Ward.

Fine candies at Glasser's, 145 East Prairie.

The Junior Endeavor society of the Congregational church gave a subscription concert at the church last evening under the direction of Miss Lashup. Little Hilda Clark was the soloist of the other members forming the chorus.

Perhaps it is the microbe in kisses that cause people to fall dead in love.

Go to W. C. Pluck & Son, 100 East North street, to buy your Diamond Wall Paper Cleaner.—15-16.

Dr. R. L. Watson, assisted by Dr. William C. Wood, yesterday performed an operation on one of his patients at St. Mary's hospital.

The Chickering and Packard pianos are strictly up-to-date in finish and quality. They can be had only at the C. B. Prescott music house on Prairie street. Call and see them.

Fresh Kentucky blue grass and white clover. New stock of flower and garden seed. Nasturtium and sweet peas in bulk. First door south of opera house. Hughes & Funk.—11-17.

Dr. A. M. Drew performed an operation on John Rogers for internal obstruction which was an entire success.

Dr. Wond's Norway Pine Syrup seems especially adapted to the needs of the children. Pleasant to take; soothing in its influence. It is the remedy of all remedies for every form of throat and lung disease. Sold by all druggists.

White Bream has returned from White Pigeon, Mich., where he attended the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Putnam and Fred Curtis. Miss Putnam is well known in Decatur, having resided here at one time.

Geo. B. Secord, the well known contractor of Towanda, N. Y., says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for a long time and have found it superior to any other." For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

A long distance telephone office is one of the latest conveniences at the Powers building. The connections were put in yesterday on the third floor.

Ten thousand demons gnawing away at one's vitals couldn't be much worse than the tortures of itching piles. Yet there's a cure. Doan's Ointment never fails. Sold by all druggists.

## Notice.

To the Republican voters of the Third Ward: The Republican city primaries will be held on Thursday, March 23, from 7 to 7:30 p. m. at the library room of T. E. Deane on West Wood street and at the same time and place and in the same manner that the other city candidates are voted for you will select your candidate for alderman. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared the Republican nominee for alderman in the Third ward.

H. E. Mickel, Chairman.

## HEAR MARTIN TONIGHT

At the Tabernacle.  
One of the Greatest Living Evangelists.



**DR. S. M. MARTIN,**  
The "Orator of the Golden Gate"  
A man of wonderful platform power. A scholar, thinker, orator, gentleman, Christian. No snobbish about his work.

**SUBJECT THIS EVENING:**

"Is Christianity Reasonable?"

Big mass meeting Sunday at 3 p. m. Music in charge of Prof. Leo B. Miller and his chorus choir.

Dr. Martin does not string flesh till they are caught. He never claims 250 or 300 conversions when only 20 or 30 have actually joined the church.

## "THE PRODIGAL SON."

Dr. Martin Addressed Another Large Audience Last Evening.

The interest in the tabernacle revival is in no wise abated but is growing steadily in enthusiasm and attendance. Last evening Evangelist Martin addressed one of his original sermons on "The Prodigal Son." His points were clear and concise, bringing out the true position of God to the penitent sinner.

"The prodigal son did not go to his father for forgiveness until he came to himself," until his better judgment got the better hold upon him. "God's call to the sinner is an invitation, not a command. When the invitation is accepted then are the commands given, after the authority of Christ is acknowledged. The invitation of the father to the prodigal came to him in the longing of his heart after his father's house."

"After he departs from his father's house he spends his money in riotous living but falls lower and lower until he finds himself in his abject poverty, as a keeper of swine, the lowest place to which a Jew could come."

"At home the father and his kindred are waiting and longing for some word from the lost one. When he comes to himself he realizes his condition and his need of the love and protection of loved ones."

"Some think the prodigal finds his father indifferent, the neighbors having to plead with him to give his son a chance. At last after much pleading the father gets tired of so much noise and consents to try his son for a time. It is this is the true process the prodigal of the prodigal son tends to a wrong understanding of God's love and mercy. But no God is not the one to be reconciled, but it is the sinner who is only waiting for him and is willing and ready to welcome his wandering child back home."

"When the young man was a long way off his father saw him and ran to him. The returning boy told his father of his sins and wrongdoing, but the father fell on his neck and kissed him. All was forgiven, even before the boy had a chance to finish his confession of guilt. We are all prodigals. The prodigal son is not necessarily the worst person in the community. We spend our natural inheritance from God—our talents—in sin and vice. All have spent their inheritance to more or less degree. God will not give the inheritance which was spent but what he does give is another inheritance in the kingdom of heaven. The door of heaven has never been locked against the sinner, but has remained ajar that whosoever will may enter."

The evangelist drew many lessons from the parable that were applicable to everyday life. The service was interesting and instructive throughout. There were two baptisms at the close of the service.

The theme for this evening will be "Is Christianity Reasonable?"

## Wanted at Salem.

Frank Mayberry was arrested yesterday afternoon near Casser and was brought to this city. He is wanted at Salem, Ill., for the betrayal of Miss Emma Edgings. The story from Salem was in Decatur several weeks ago and left with the officers a warrant for the arrest of the man. The police department learned that Mayberry was working on a farm near Casser and had him arrested by Constable Gustin, who lives in that neighborhood.

## Roads are Bad.

The country roads are now in a worse condition than they have been for a number of years past. It is simply impossible for those who have not attempted to drive over the roads to realize what condition they are in. No grain at all is moving and the traffic of the farmers is practically blocked. A few days ago an empty wagon was stuck in the mud on the streets of North Decatur and the roads outside of the village are even worse.

## Rememberable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs, she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued to use and after six bottles found herself entirely well, now goes her own housework, and is as well as the ever was. Trial bottles 10c, of this Great Discovery at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Stores. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

## Wants a Divorce.

Through her attorneys, Mills & Fitzgerald, Mattie Reich has started suit for a divorce from her husband, Charles Reich. The bill states that the couple were married June 7, 1919, and that they have two children. It is stated that the defendant is a saloonkeeper and that he becomes intoxicated so that he is incapable of attending to his duties and often mistreats the family, having several times struck his wife. It is alleged that on March 20 last the defendant with his sister, Carrie Ponewasch, beat and bruised the complainant. Mrs. Reich asks for an injunction restraining her husband from disposing of their property and also asks for a divorce, custody of the children and alimony.

## Marriage License.

Luther Lail, Argenta, 22.

Lizzie Neitz, Argenta, 16.

## 200 CONVERSIONS

Are Shown as a Result of the Harrison Meetings.

## TWENTY-FIVE LAST EVENING

The Evangelist Talked on "What God Hath Wrought" — Men's Meeting on Sunday — Altar Services.

Last evening closed the third week in the Harrison revival. The results of the meetings are greater than even the most sanguine hoped for. There are more than 200 converts and Mr. Harrison has every reason to hope to double the number before the great jubilee service on March 30. The services are nightly increasing in interest as the results of last night's meeting will testify and the spiritual awakening in the church is thorough and deep.

At 7:30 last evening the church was crowded and a number were standing. The usual song service preceded the evangelist's talk, which was in the nature of an exhortation. He spoke briefly on the subject of "What God Hath Wrought," interspersing his remarks with song and prayer. He said if the meetings were to close last evening a great victory had already been accomplished. From the very first invitation there have been conversions every night. He said in looking over the congregation one would think that nearly everyone had been converted but that was not true as there were yet a large number unconverted. He said he was talking to a young man a few nights ago and the young man said that he intended to seek salvation some time before he died. Mr. Harrison said that theologians did not agree as to what the unpardonable sin was and some of them threw it out altogether. He believed he came very near to committing the unpardonable sin when he refused to seek salvation, putting a decision off from time to time. A voice finally said to him, "now or never," and he was made to seek it then or die without it. There comes a time when the spirit will no longer strive with the sinful soul.

There were 25 conversions last evening, making the total number converted during the meetings over 200.

## IN A SOCIAL WAY.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mrs. E. P. Irving on Wednesday afternoon entertained the members of Miss Abbie Pratt's Sunday school class of the Congregational church at her home on East Harkness street in honor of the third birthday anniversary of her little son, Robert Faries Irving, who is also a member of Miss Pratt's class. Those present were: Lona Entler, Edith Dawson, Ruth and Doris Lewman, Kenneth Caldwell, Lester Jones, Marie Elkin, Lester Backway, Florence Miller, Clyde Walker and Bonnie and Marie Galt. Hunt the eggs and other diversions occasioned lots of fun. The little folks, who looked like Brownies, had a lark riding out and back on the street cars.

The Epworth League of the Grace M. E. church will give a reception this evening at the home of Mrs. Majors of 114 North Monroe street in honor of Miss Hattie Ward, who will leave shortly for a permanent residence in New York city.

The ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will give a coffee at the home of Mrs. Mart Glenn of 563 North Main street on Friday afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Edward Street Christian church will give a social at the home of Mrs. Higgins of North Church street this evening.

## To the Trade and the Public.

We have taken the agency for the Green Tree Brewery of St. Louis Lager beer (Union Labor) and are prepared to deliver different brands of expensive bottled export beers as follows: The Bohemian Pale Lager, The Select, The Salvator. Respectfully, Reinhold & Swick. New Phone 391-06. Offices 700 East Corro Gordo street.—13-17.

No extra charge for those large cushion rubber tired wheels on Seovill's baby buggies.—13-17.

## Sales of Real Estate.

Spencer E. Huff to O. J. Davis, lot 1 and 2 in the survey of block 6 in Road & Co.'s addition to Decatur; \$15,000.

S. C. McKay to J. V. Dealy, lot 1 in block 1 of Donham's First addition to Decatur; \$2000.

Frances Schultz to Clara Phillips, lot 5 in block 4 in Railroad addition to Maroa; \$100.

## MEETING OF TOWN BOARD.

Held to Arrange for Assessment Under New Law.

A special meeting of the town board was held Tuesday afternoon to take action in regard to the coming assessment under the new law. Assessor Foster will begin on the first of April and will have two months in which to finish the work. Much work must be done in making the assessment under the new law take under the old, as there are some books to keep now while others were but three. The assessment based on real estate this year will start in four years and it is therefore important that it be made correct. The members of the town board present at this meeting were assessor Foster, Justices O'Mara, Gorman, and Provost and Town Clerk County Treasurer Miller and County Assessor Foster spoke of the new law and the new plat book to guide them in making the assessment, and it was decided to have a new plat book made for this purpose. There was appointed a committee composed of Justices Gorman, Town Clerk Cope and County Assessor Foster to make the assessment of real estate M. F. Kanam, A. G. Foy and N. M. Jacobs. The compensation of the assistants may be fixed at \$2.50 to \$5 per day. The board decided that those who made the assessment on the real estate should receive \$4.00 per day. The other assistants have not yet been named. County Treasurer Miller and ex-Treasurer Peterson both spoke in favor of a new plat book being made.

## C. E. Convention Postponed.

The annual convention of the Macon County Christian Endeavor Union, which was to have been held in this city during the last week in March, has been postponed until the first of April. The change in date is necessary because some of the speakers could not be secured for the date and the last of the month was decided upon because conditions generally will be more favorable. The Easter work will be over, the roads closed and the weather more settled. One of the new and leading features of the county convention will be a "convention hour," which will be set aside for the discussion of the state convention which will be held in Rockford next October; the national convention which will be held in Detroit in July, from the 5th to the 10th inclusive, and the great international convention which will be held in London in 1939.

## List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C.: S. P. Frost, Quincy, anti-rust preparation; H. C. Gibbs, Springfield, ruling machine; D. H. Lentz, Quincy, machine for charging furnace; N. Mainz, Washington Heights, radiator; C. Morgan, Freeport, cork paper; G. E. Rigg, Mount Carmel, automobile gate; H. A. Robinson, Evansville, wire stretcher; W. Trinkle, Alton, coin controlled vending machine; W. Wamsburg, Peoria, hinge joint for artificial limbs. For copy of any of the above patents send 10c in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

## Conklin Party All Right.

Mrs. Harry Conklin has received a letter from her husband, dated Alaska, December 9. At that time the Conklin gold seeking party were camping near Lake Mahabala. They were making ready to push their way into the interior. The day was short, the sun rising at 5 o'clock and setting at 3 in the afternoon. The party were well but had made no "finds."

## Bishop Will be Here.

Bishop Seymour of the Episcopal Springfield of the Episcopal church will be in Decatur next Thursday and will confirm a large class at St. John's church.

## Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foy of Forsyth on Tuesday, March 21, a daughter.

To Watchman F. O. Smith and wife of the West Wood street on Wednesday, March 22, a son.

## Missionary Coffee.

The ladies of the missionary society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will give a missionary coffee next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Glenn, 563 North Church street.

## Meeting Postponed.

The committee appointed to select a town board to make a new plat book for the assessor was to have met today with Secretary Frank Miller. Mr. Loring was out of the city and necessary to postpone the meeting.

## Parents' Day.

The Sunday school of the Western Presbyterian church will celebrate Parents' Day under the direction of Miss L. C. Gladley on next Sunday. A program is in the course of preparation.

## TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

## STAKES ALL ON A FIGHT

Battle at Malabon to Crush the Rebels.

## WAR IN THE EAST

Said to be Near Final Adjustment.

## AGUINALDO IS IN A POCKET

But He and the Filipinos Will Fight to a Finish—Stories Told by Escaped Spanish Prisoners—

out of Food and Discouraged.

MANILA, March 24, 6:30 P. M.—

Two hundred prisoners who escaped from the lines of the Kansas army, reported that the Filipinos have captured their forces at Malabon, Manila. They said that the Filipino bodyguard is at Malabon and the rebel leaders are putting up a fight to stake their fortunes against Malabon, where it was expected an engagement would take place yesterday. If defeated, the rebels intend to retreat into the swamps and mountains. They are putting their faith in the belief that the Filipino forces will avert the attack. The bodies of the Filipinos who were killed in their attack on the rebels are further said to have been found. They cannot withdraw from the shell and bayonet attacks. The escaped Spaniards reported stories of food shortage among the rebels and added that their bodies are full of supplies.

## STIRRING NEWS.

MANILA, March 24.—Noon.—The rebels are active in the vicinity of Malabon in preparing defenses, they are preparing an attack on the city. They are well under cover. The rebels, however, are attacking the jungle on the extreme left flank and fired upon the Filipino troops in the trenches, today about two private.

The Filipino volunteers and 23d regulars are in the front today. The Filipino soldiers have disembarked from the steamer, Gen. H. G. Otis. The Filipino troops this morning and are in a position to attack. The rebels are active in the vicinity of Malabon, where it was expected an engagement would take place yesterday. If defeated, the rebels intend to retreat into the swamps and mountains. They are putting their faith in the belief that the Filipino forces will avert the attack. The bodies of the Filipinos who were killed in their attack on the rebels are further said to have been found. They cannot withdraw from the shell and bayonet attacks. The escaped Spaniards reported stories of food shortage among the rebels and added that their bodies are full of supplies.

Spanish refugees arrived here today from Duguan, the town of Marikina, on board the steamer, Gen. H. G. Otis. They report that the rebels are generally friendly and that they are in a position to attack. The rebels are active in the vicinity of Malabon, where it was expected an engagement would take place yesterday. If defeated, the rebels intend to retreat into the swamps and mountains. They are putting their faith in the belief that the Filipino forces will avert the attack. The bodies of the Filipinos who were killed in their attack on the rebels are further said to have been found. They cannot withdraw from the shell and bayonet attacks. The escaped Spaniards reported stories of food shortage among the rebels and added that their bodies are full of supplies.

## THE DECISIVE BATTLE.

MANILA, March 24.—It is expected that the last General Otis has been captured. His plan of campaign was to take a week or 10 days in the Malabon movements which, it was expected, will mark the destruction of Aguinaldo's army. Although the rebels have been killed, fatalities have been heavy at Malabon, the Malabon United States troops assigned to transport General Otis to Manila.

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today and it is expected that after General Otis has been captured, the rebels will have no organization, will have no food and water attack, though it is not expected that the navy's part will be particularly prominent. General

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